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ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 20272-00740-US1

U.S. APPLICATION NO 5 kpays see 37 5 R 1.5) **CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/GB2005/001222 29 March 2005 TITLE OF INVENTION VACUUM CLEANER HOSE ASSEMBLIES APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Philip P. Battle et al. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: x This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. X A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). has been communicated by the International Bureau. b is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). is attached hereto. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). b. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. X An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT 10. Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 12. 13. A preliminary amendment. x An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. A substitute specification. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 16 17 A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 18. 19. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).



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